

**NEW HOPE PARKS & REC BOARD MEETING, MONDAY OCTOBER 24, 2022**

**AGENDA**

**Meeting will be called to order.**

**Roll call/attendance taken.**

**No September meeting and no minutes to approve. August minutes were sent out in September to members.**

**Financial Reports provided by Christina Szabo and are attached. Review/ Q&A re financials.**

**New Business:**

**We welcome representatives from NH Public Works & Peter Gray to our meeting.**

- **Lenape Park: a much-needed rejuvenation of the park. We have obtained expert opinion on the current condition of the park along with what would be needed to see this through to completion. These recommendations included year round maintenance. We also now have an idea of what a project of this scope would cost.**
- **Visitor Center: gardens done for each season. The visitor center has long been neglected yet it is a representation of our town. This summer we have just gone ahead and put flowers in the window baskets and the 2 urns on the property. Then we had a local landscape contractor contact us and offer to plant the gardens on either side of the front door – no charge. It was a very generous gesture and he also waters and checks on them. It made a huge difference in appearance! We would like to see this happen (along with the rest of the gardens) every season. I would also like to look into getting the jail gates back up and hope between a local contractor I've spoken to and NH Public Works, we can secure and restore them.**
- **Green Roof: this area also needs rejuvenation. The roof is planted with succulents and we have just added 2 new urns. It would make sense to continue with succulent plantings however we should consult with someone who has knowledge of green roofs and how to plant them. An idea that was briefly discussed was to add hardscaping to enlarge the seating/walking areas. This would allow for better use of the area and also cut down on succulents needed.**
- **Pocket Parks are last but certainly not least. They need rejuvenation as well and I believe that our board can handle the design/replanting for those areas.**

**Discussion with Borough Admin regarding the above-mentioned: timing & budgeting for these projects as well as a maintenance plan to be discussed.**

**Old Business:**

- **Story Telling Event On The Green Roof was a huge success! Great team effort!!**
- **Shirts for P&R Board Members to be distributed.**
- **Fall plantings – urns need Spring/Summer plants removed and redone with Fall colors: Stockton Ave, Bridge Street, Visitor Center (?), NHPD, Borough Offices  
Once the begonias have died off in the hanging baskets and hayracks, Pub Works will clean them out.**
- **Discussion on Winter/Holiday decorations along with a plan & date(s) to get this done.**

**Meeting adjourned**

**Next meeting: Monday, November 28, 2022 @ 7pm**